

TABLE 3. Education and employment status and median salary of recent graduates with bachelor's degrees in science, engineering, or health, by major field of degree and sex: October 2008 (corrected July 2013)

Major field and sex	All graduates	Full-time student	Education and employment status			Median salary for full-time employed (\$) ^b
			Not full-time student			
			Employed in S&E or S&E-related occupation ^a	Employed in non-S&E occupation	Not employed	
All fields	1,128,000	268,000	415,000	371,000	75,000	43,000
Science	808,000	219,000	191,000	336,000	62,000	38,000
Male	353,000	92,000	110,000	126,000	24,000	42,000
Female	455,000	127,000	81,000	210,000	38,000	35,000
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life sciences	173,000	74,000	50,000	33,000	15,000	34,000
Male	71,000	30,000	19,000	16,000	6,000	34,000
Female	102,000	44,000	32,000	17,000	9,000	34,000
Computer and information sciences	85,000	7,000	61,000	13,000	4,000	54,000
Male	69,000	5,000	52,000	10,000	2,000	54,000
Female	16,000	2,000	9,000	3,000	2,000	50,000
Mathematics and statistics	33,000	8,000	14,000	8,000	2,000	44,000
Male	18,000	6,000	7,000	4,000	1,000	49,000
Female	14,000	3,000	7,000	4,000	1,000	42,000
Physical and related sciences	41,000	18,000	16,000	5,000	2,000	40,000
Male	23,000	9,000	10,000	2,000	1,000	40,000
Female	19,000	9,000	6,000	3,000	1,000	41,000
Psychology	184,000	54,000	17,000	96,000	16,000	32,000
Male	46,000	16,000	4,000	21,000	5,000	31,000
Female	137,000	38,000	13,000	75,000	11,000	32,000
Social and related sciences	292,000	58,000	32,000	180,000	22,000	36,000
Male	126,000	27,000	18,000	73,000	9,000	39,000
Female	166,000	31,000	15,000	108,000	13,000	35,000
Engineering	126,000	21,000	86,000	14,000	5,000	58,000
Male	104,000	16,000	71,000	12,000	4,000	58,000
Female	22,000	5,000	14,000	2,000	1,000	57,000
Health	194,000	27,000	138,000	21,000	8,000	50,000
Male	30,000	6,000	19,000	4,000	1,000	52,000
Female	164,000	21,000	119,000	17,000	7,000	48,000

S&E = science and engineering.

^a S&E occupations include S&E postsecondary teachers. S&E-related occupations include health occupations. For detail, see technical notes.

^b Salary data are for principal job only. Full-time employed are those working at least 35 hours per week at their principal job. Self-employed persons and full-time students are excluded from salary data.

NOTES: Numbers are rounded to nearest 1,000, and salaries are rounded to nearest \$1,000. Detail may not add to total because of rounding. Estimates are from sample survey of college graduates who received bachelor's or master's degrees in science, engineering, or health fields in 2006 and 2007 academic years; estimates may differ from degree counts published elsewhere.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 2008.